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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently amended) Operating agent composition comprising
- (A) carbon dioxide as refrigerant,
- (B) polyalkylene glycols and/or neopentyl polyol esters as lubricant and
- (C) a phosphate ester with the following structure:

$$O=P-O-R_n$$

wherein

R optionally, identically or differently for each of the three phenyl moieties and optionally, identically or differently for each n, represents H one or more Cl to C6 hydrocarbon moieties and

n optionally identically or differently for each of the three phenyl moieties represents an integer of 1 to 5, with the proviso that for at least one of the three phenyl moieties R is t-butyl and/or isopropyl a-C2 to C6 hydrocarbon.

2. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1 comprising said phosphate ester in a quantity of 0.1 to 3 % by weight, based on the lubricant.

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3. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1 characterized in that said polyalkylene glycols comprise no free hydroxy groups.

- 4. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1, characterized in that said operating agent composition comprises polyalkylene glycols which, based on the polymer chain and the alkylene oxide monomer units used, consists of
 - essentially exclusively monomer units of the type -(-CH(CH₃)-CH₂-O-) or -(-CH₂-CH(CH₃)-O-) -,
 - 20 to 80% monomer units of the type -(-CH(CH₃)-CH₂-O-)- or -(-CH₂-CH (CH₃)-O-)- and for the remaining residue of monomer units of type -(CH₂-CH₂-O-)- or
 - 20 to 80% monomer units of the type -(-CH(CH₂CH₃)-CH₂-O-)- or -(-CH₂-CH(CH₂CH₃)-O-)- and for the remaining residue of monomer units of type -(-CH₂-CH₂)-O-)-.
- 5. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1, characterized in that said operating agent composition comprises polyalkylene glycols and/or their mixtures having a number average molecular weight of 200 to 3000 g/mole.
- 6. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1, characterized in that said polyalkylene glycols comprise aryl groups or heteroaromatic groups which may optionally be substituted with linear or branched alkyl groups or alkylene groups.
- 7. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1, characterized in that said polyalkylene glycols have the following end groups

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-alkyl, aryl, alkylaryl, aryloxy, alkoxy, and/or alkylaryloxy end groups having

1 to 24 carbon atoms.

8. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1,

characterized in that said operating agent composition comprises esters or an ester

mixture, wherein said esters are obtainable by reacting neopentyl polyols with linear

and/or branched C4 to C12 carboxylic acids, optionally with an addition of C4 to C12

dicarboxylic acids.

9. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1,

characterized in that the operating agent comprises neopentyl polyol esters and

polyalkylene glycols.

10. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1,

characterized in that said operating agent composition comprises at least 10% by

weight of said polyalkylene glycols and said neopentyl polyesters, based on all the

constituents of said operating agent.

11. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1,

characterized in that said operating agent consists predominantly, apart from said

phosphate esters and said refrigerant, of said polyalkylene glycols and said neopentyl

polyesters; based on the proportion by weight.

12. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1,

characterized in that the operating agent additionally comprises a diphenyl amine, a

di(Cl to C16 alkyl) phenyl amine as antioxidant and/or a diphenyl amine in which one

or two phenyl groups have been exchanged for naphthyl groups.

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13. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1,

characterized in that said phosphate ester has at least for one of said phenyl moieties,

an R which is tert-butyl and/or isopropyl.

14. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1 for

use in refrigerating machines.

15. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1

for use in freezing equipment having evaporation temperatures of less than -30°C,

wherein lubricants are used which comprise more than 90% by weight of

neopentyl polyol esters.

16. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 1, for

use in air conditioning equipment of cars, wherein lubricants are used which

comprise more than 90% of polyalkylene glycols.

17. Canceled.

18. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 5,

wherein said polyalkylene glycols and/or their mixtures have a number average

molecular weight of 400 to 2000 g/mole.

19. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 6,

wherein the alkyl groups or alkylene groups have a total of 1 to 24 carbon atoms.

20. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 8,

wherein said neopentyl polyols comprise pentaerythritol, dipentaerythritol and/or

tripentaerythritol.

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21. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to claim 11, wherein said operating agent consists exclusively, apart from said phosphate esters and said refrigerant of said polyalkylene glycols and said neopentyl polyesters.

22. (Previously presented) Operating agent composition according to Claim 14 wherein said refrigerating machine is in a motor vehicle.